

## **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPACTING SAIL CARS**

The invention relates to method and apparatus for compactly stacking batten or sail cars above a boom when a very tall sail is stowed, furled or fully lowered. More specifically, most of the cars are compacted or stacked by diverting cars onto several lower tracks, such that the height of the stacked cars is approximately halved. If more than two lower storage tracks are used, the height reduction of the stacked cars can be greater.